Assessment Update for Parental Choice Schools



November 2, 2022

WISCONSIN STATEWIDE ASSESSMENT SYSTEM UPDATES

Accountability

Reminders:

2021-22 Preliminary Secure Report Cards

The window to open an inquiry with the Office of Educational Accountability (OEA) closed on October 17. At this time, OEA staff are working with schools and districts that opened inquiries to resolve them and make manual corrections in the report cards. As a reminder, **scores and ratings are subject to change** based on updates resulting from the inquiry period - even for schools who do not submit inquiries. The data that are finalized in the report card inquiry process will be used in both state and federal (both ESSA and IDEA) accountability systems.

The public release of final school and district report cards is scheduled for **November 15**. These report cards will include redaction to protect student privacy. At that time the public school and district report cards results will be widely available. If you have questions about report cards, please <u>contact OEA</u>.

Report Card Resources

We have posted templates to the <u>report card resource page</u> that may be helpful as you craft your local messages:

- Parent Letters: templates for traditional school, alternate accountability, and choice student report cards.
- Local Report Card: a template for schools/districts to use when designing their local report card, intended to complement the state report card.

ACT

New:

Select 2023 Testing Dates and Update Testing Staff

<u>PearsonAccess^{next}</u>(PAnext) will open for the 2023 ACT on November 7. New DACs will receive an automated message from PAnext with instructions on how to set up their accounts and existing DACS can use their current account credentials to log in. **All DACs must log into the 2023 testing portal to update testing staff and manage contacts.** This will ensure that DPI and ACT have updated contact information on file.

Districts and schools should also begin selecting test dates, testing mode, shipping dates, and verifying addresses **under each high school profile** in PAnext. When selecting the test material ship date, schools should select the earliest receipt week possible, allowing time to order additional materials if needed. Please refer to the <u>PearsonAccess^{next}User Guide</u> for instructions on how to complete these tasks.

2023 ACT Technical Guide

The 2023 ACT Technical Guide has now been posted to the Wisconsin ACT Webpage. Technical Coordinators should review this guide and all other site readiness resources outlined on the Wisconsin ACT Website.

2023 What's New Document - Revised

A revision to the 2023 What's New Document has been posted on the <u>Wisconsin ACT Website</u>. This revised version has been updated with Wisconsin specific information.

Reminders:

2023 Schedule of Events

The Spring <u>2023 ACT Schedule of Events</u> has been posted to the Wisconsin ACT Website and the DPI ACT Calendar webpage.

Training Opportunities:

DPI and ACT will be offering four Q&A webinar-based trainings for the 2023 ACT assessment. Visit the <u>DPI ACT Trainings webpage</u> to register for these events. All trainings will be recorded and posted to the trainings webpage and Wisconsin ACT Website. Please forward these opportunities to all testing staff.

PreACT Secure

Reminder:

See the **PreACT Secure webpage** for calendar dates, information, and resources.

Forward Exam

New:

Technology System Requirements

DACs and DTCs should review the hardware and operating system requirements documentation for the 2022-23 administration to ensure student devices meet the minimum required for testing. Updated 2023 technology system requirements for student testing devices will be available November 4, on the Forward Exam Technology Requirements webpage.

DAC Contact Update

Reminder:

Please <u>update District Assessment Coordinator (DAC) contact information</u> as contact information changes or staffing changes occur throughout the year (including over the summer months). The information provided is used to:

- Ensure DACs receive regular assessment and accountability updates, and
- Upload information into vendor portals to ensure DACs have annual permissions.

New Resources

As new resources are posted to our website, we will include them here for your convenience for a few weeks. This is NOT an exhaustive list but meant to highlight resources with significant relevance to our upcoming test windows.

Resource	Description	Assessment
2023 ACT Technical Guide	Contains technical details and requirements for administering online ACT testing.	ACT
2023 Schedule of Events	The Schedule of Events contains important tasks and deadlines for administering the ACT.	ACT

Important Dates to Remember

Be sure to refer to each specific assessment calendar for a complete list of key dates.

Date	Event	Program
November 4	Updated System Requirements document available	Forward
November 7	2023 PearsonAccess™ Portal (PAnext) opens	ACT
November 9	Test Administration 1 Training webinar	ACT
November 10	Technology User Guide available	Forward
November 15	Scheduled release of the public and final school and district report cards	Accountability
November 16	District Technology training video available (new DTCs and updates)	Forward
November 23	DACs assigned permission to access the DRC INSIGHT Portal for the 2022-23 administration	Forward



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